

KEY FACTS ABOUT

Children birth to 3 years, their families, and the child care system that serves them

Maine

Total population: 1,274,923

U.S. Census 2000



An average of 490 children 0–3 are served per month by the Child Care and Development Fund
(FY 2001 ACF-801 data)

In Federal Fiscal Year 2004 the Infant/Toddler Child Care and Development Fund Set-Aside = \$356,363

(FY 2004 CCDF Allocations and Earmarks, U.S. Dept. of HHS, ACF)



477 children served by 9 grantees are in Early Head Start

(2003 Early Head Start Funded Enrollment)

59% of all the requests for child care to the child care resource and referral programs were for infant and toddler care

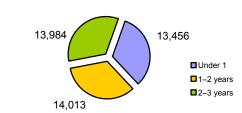
(Child Care Profile, United States/NACCRRA, March 2003)



1,078 children under 3 are served by the Early Intervention program

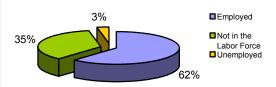
(U.S. Dept. of Education, Office of Special Ed. Programs, Data Analysis System (DANS), Dec. 2002)

41,453 Children Under 3 Live in Maine



U.S. Census 2000

62% of Maine Women with Children Under the Age of 3 Are in the Labor Force



Current Population Survey, March 2001

Professional Development of Infant/Toddler Caregivers

Infant/Toddler Caregiver No

Credential:

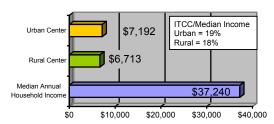
Infant/Toddler Child 8 issued in 2002 Development Associate*: 2 issued in 1998

Early Learning

Guidelines for 0-3:

*Council on Professional Recognition

Annual Cost of Infant/Toddler Child Care as a Percent of Median Income



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In Center-Based Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:4 for infants under 12 months; 1:5 (with max. of 10) or 1:4 (with max. of 12) for 13 to 30 months; 1:7 for 31 to 36 months (State Licensing Regulations)

In Family Child Care the staff-to-child ratios are

1:4 for children up to 30 months; 1:8 no more than 3 children under 30 months + 3 children 30 months to 5 years + 2 school age children; (State Licensing Regulations)

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For more demographic information about Maine go to:

http://nccic.org/statedata/statepro/maine.html



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